

North Carolina } In the Superior Court.
 Gaston County }

In the matter of the Last Will
 and Testament of James M. Carson }

E. W. Carson and J. C. Anthony
 and L. E. Foy being duly sworn depts. (each for
 himself) that he is well acquainted with the
 hand writing of James M. Carson, now dead.
 Having often seen him write and that he verily
 believes that the paper writing now exhibited
 before him bearing date September 22nd 1886
 and purporting to be the Will of James M. Carson
 and the codicil thereto added, bearing date June
 11th 1890, and such and every part of the same
 is in the hand writing of the said James M.
 Carson whose signature and seals are
 subscribed and added thereto.

Subscribed and sworn to
 at N. C. 20th June 1891

J. C. Anthony
 E. W. Carson

Subscribed and added thereto.

Subscribed and sworn to
before me. This 20th day of
Dec, 1893. E. L. Wilson clerk

J. P. Anthony
C. W. Carson
S. E. Joy

John P. Carson being duly sworn says that the
paper writing now exhibited before him purporting
to be the Will and Codicil attached, of the late
James M. Carson of Gaston County, and
bearing date Sept. 22nd 1885 and June 11th 1890.
respectively was found by him and his
sister M. E. Carson soon after the death of
the said James M. Carson at his late
residence among his books and
other valuable papers and effects.

J. P. Carson

Subscribed and sworn to before me.
This 20th day of Dec, 1893. E. L. Wilson clerk.

Sept. 22nd 1885.

Know all men by these presents that I James M. Carson of the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina do make and declare this to be my last Will and testament as follows. 1st I give myself wife and children to God. 2nd after all debts are paid I will and bequeath to my dear wife Anna C. Carson and daughter Marynt E. Carson what of what ever I hold to have and to hold as a common fund to live upon the personal property to be used as the see fit always with the consent of mother the personal property to hold to them and their heirs in fee simple forever. Now the above holds all to my wife's death at the death of Anna C. Carson my dear wife I will and bequeath to my daughter M. E. Carson all my real Estate home and Out tracts excepts as herein designated. I will and bequeath to my son J. M. Carson all my

is three hundred Dollars and Twenty
Dollars and interest and also that tract or
parcel of land beginning on J.B. line on the
pasture branch known as Allen Spring
branch thence with it to the ditch thence
due South to Wilson's line thence with said
line to ~~the~~ J.B. Carson's corner thence with
his line to the beginning be the same more
or less. I will and bequeath to my son
W.M. Carson fifty dollars to be arranged by
W.E. Carson and himself.
Witness my hand and seal day and
date above written

James M. Carson 
Aged 60 years. June 11, 1890. to my last will in
the kindness of God I am yet living
My grand son James R. Carson has been
living with us and I allowed him to pay
himself as time passed on which I suppose
he did but for kindness to us I give and
bequeath to him and heirs and as long as he

or then makes their home here they may
sell it to my daughter M.E. Carson but not to
strange. The house where in they are now
living one acre lot to suit the parties for
the convenience of both houses as my great
desire is family peace which we now have
and always have had and I pray God to
grant us the spirit of peace, witness my
hand and seal this done day and date
above written.

Jas. M. Carson Esq
My desire is John and Rufus assist Anna
and sis sett all themselves and now my
dear children if this does not suit some
of you and for lack of form is cast
aside as poor well in case this stand
I owe my daughter M.E. Carson for work
done and labour done five hundred
dollars. June 11th 1890.

Jas. M. Carson Esq
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of James M. Carson, decd.

It appearing to the Court
by the oath and Examination of E. W. Carson, James C.
Anthony and S. C. Joy that the paper writing propounded
by J. M. Carson purporting to be the last will & testament of
James M. Carson decd with the Codicil attached bearing
date Sept. 22nd 1885 and June 11th 1890. respectively and every part
thereof is in the handwriting of the said Jas. M. Carson
whose will it purports to be and it further appearing to the
Court by the oath and Examination of J. B. Carson
that the said paper writing aforesaid was found by
said affiant and his sister M. E. Carson among
the Deeds and other valuable papers and effects
of the said Jas. M. Carson shortly after his death.
It is thereupon adjudged that the said paper writing
be admitted to probate as the last Will and
testament of the said James M. Carson.
This 20th day of Dec. 1893.

E. L. Wilson Secy